

## CITY OF LEESBURG PLANNING & ZONING DIVISION RECOMMENDATIONS

**PROJECT:** Code of Ordinances Amendments

**REQUEST:** Amending Chapter 25 Land Development Code Sec. 25-279-Changes in

approved master development plans

CASE NO.: AMDT-13-88 MEETING DATE: August 8, 2013

## THE PLANNING & ZONING DIVISION RECOMMENDS:

APPROVAL of the request

## Summary:

The City Commission directed staff to develop a strategy to promote economic development in the CR 470 corridor specifically for the City owned property and to incorporate recommendations suggested by the Duke Energy Site Readiness Program. One important aspect of the study was to eliminate obstacles for to development of properties so that a prospective company have a quick development schedule and minimal risks. Prospective companies don't want to go through the rezoning process with the associated public hearings and 120 day delays. Those communities with site ready properties with zoning in place will have the competitive advantage for consideration by prospective companies.

In order to accomplish this goal, staff has prepared the following amendment to the Land Development Code which is necessary for the City Commission to expedite economic development on City owned properties in the Leesburg C.R.470 Industrial and Technology Park.

## **Action Requested:**

Vote to approve the referenced amendment to the Code of Ordinances Chapter 25 Land Development Code as proposed by staff and forward to the City Commission for consideration.